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Serial No. 09/610,983

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 2155
Docket No.: 21.1962**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroyasu SUGANO et al.

Serial No. 09/610,983

Group Art Unit: 2155

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Filed: July 6, 2000

Examiner: David Y. Eng

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM DISPLAYING FRESHNESS OF OBJECT CONDITION
INFORMATION (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **MAIL STOP AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed October 6, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on January 6, 2005. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 6, 2005. This response is timely filed on January 12, 2005.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested because the amendments and remarks clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the relied upon references.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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